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SUBJECT: NARCOTICS - VISIT TO WASHINGTON OF GOM
HERBICIDE SPECIALISTS

REF: STATE 116954

1. ATTORNEY GENERAL'S EXECUTIVE OFFICER, FERNANDO BAEZA,
INFORMED EMBASSY MAY 30 THAT GOM TZWM#WILL BE COMPOSED
OF FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS WHO PROPOSE TO ARRIVE WASHINGTON
MONDAY, JUNE 5, AT 8:26 P.M. ON EASTERN 904:

(A) CARLOS DE NAVIA OSORIO, ADVISOR TO ATTORNEY GENERAL'S
OFFICE ON HERBICIDES SINCE INCEPTION OF PROGRAM. HAS
ALSO PARTICIPATED IN INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS TO DESCRIBE
GOM EXPERIENCE WITH HERBICIDES AND ADVOCATE THEIR USE BY
OTHERS. LEADER OF TEAM. LAST NAME: DE NAVIA. TITLE:
ENGINEER.

(B) SERGIO ZAPATA IBARRA, CHIEF OF ATTORNEY GENERAL'S
RECONNAISSANCE AND VERIFICATION UNIT (URVE), FIRST
OFFICER OF ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE TO CONDUCT TESTS ON
RESIDUAL EFFECTS OF HERBICIDES USED IN PROGRAM. LAST
NAME: ZAPATA. TITLE: ENGINEER. (ALSO HOLDS DEGREE AS
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AN AGRONOMIST).

(C) VICENTE HIDALGO HERNANDEZ, CHEMIST AND STAFF MEMBER
OF THE DIRECTORATE OF PLANT HEALTH IN THE SECRETARIAT OF
AGRICULTURE AND WATER RESOURCES, THE OFFICE WHICH
APPROVED USE OF GRAMOXONE (PARAQUAT) AND 2,4-D BY THE
ATTORNEY GENERAL/S OFFICE. LAST NAME: HIDALGO. TITLE:

ENGINEER.

(D) SILVIA CANSECO GONZALEZ, CHEMIST FROM THE SECRETARIAT OF AGRICULTURE AND WATER RESOURCES. ACCORDING TO BAEZA, SHE WAS FORMERLY EMPLOYED BY IMPERIAL CHEMICAL INDUSTRIES (ICI) IN ENGLAND AND PARTICIPATED IN THE COMPANY'S TESTS OF PARAQUAT AND ITS EFFECTS. LAST NAME: CANSECO. TITLE: ENGINEER.

2. REQUEST DEPARTMENT RESERVE FOUR SINGLES AT HOTEL CONVENIENT TO LOCATION OF MEETINGS. REQUEST DEPARTMENT ALSO MEET AND ASSIST TEAM ON ARRIVAL AT WASHINGTON NATIONAL AIRPORT.

3. DE NAVIA, ZAPATA AND CANSECO SPEAK ENGLISH. WE DO NOT KNOW HIDALGO'S ENGLISH COMPETENCE. IT WOULD BE HELPFUL IF ONE OR MORE USG PARTICIPANTS CAN WORK IN SPANISH.

4. DE NAVIA HAS ASKED NAMES OF USG TEAM LEADER AND OTHER PARTICIPANTS, AS WELL AS SOME INDICATION OF THEIR BACK- GROUND.

5. ACTION REQUESTED: THAT DEPARTMENT ADVISE NAME, ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF HOTEL SELECTED; NAME OF OFFICIAL WHO WILL MEET GROUP; AND NAMES AND QUALIFICATIONS OF USG TEAM MEMBERS. LUCEY
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